WAC 388-97-2760  Dining, dayrooms, and resident activity areas.

(1) The nursing home must provide one or more rooms designated for resident dining and activities that are:
   (a) Well lighted;
   (b) Well ventilated;
   (c) Adequately furnished; and
   (d) Large enough to accommodate all activities.

(2) In a new building or addition, the nursing home must design space for dining rooms, dayrooms, and activity areas for resident convenience and comfort and to provide a homelike environment. These areas must be located on the same floor as the residents who will use the areas. The nursing home must:
   (a) Ensure these rooms or areas are exterior rooms with windows that have a maximum sill height of thirty-six inches;
   (b) Provide space for dining, day use, and activities with a minimum combined total of thirty square feet for each licensed bed;
   (c) Design any multipurpose rooms to prevent program interference with each other;
   (d) Locate a day room on each resident care unit;
   (e) Provide storage spaces for all activity and recreational equipment and supplies, adjoining or adjacent to the facilities provided; and
   (f) Locate a common use toilet facility, with handwashing sink and accessories, providing direct access from the hallway and within a maximum of forty feet from these spaces.

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